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**Re: Selma Park**

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**Albert Torres** <albert.torres@lacity.org>

Sat, Sep 8, 2018 at 1:17 PM

To: Dan Halden &lt;daniel.halden@lacity.org&gt;

Cc: Adrian Maxwell &lt;32387@lapd.online&gt;, Ramona Solorzano &lt;ramona.solorzano@lacity.org&gt;, Jordan Paul &lt;32285@lapd.online&gt;, Darrell Davis &lt;32256@lapd.online&gt;

Bcc: Sophia.Pinacortez@lacity.org

Dan,

Thanks. Our formula is pretty effective. We will return asap. You may recall that we provided an immediate response to Mr. Spence's email on Friday August 24. We were working nearby at Barnsdall and were able to return Selma Park to normal by addressing violations and cleaning the park.

I'll work with LAPD HOPE Sergeant Maxwell and the CRO Sergeant Davis Hollywood Division, until Senior Lead Officer Jordan return. My thanks to Officer Jordan for his good work.

May I trouble you to submit a Recreation and Parks Service Request [m.laparks.org](http://m.laparks.org)

*Albert Torres*

Captain

Park Rangers

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On Fri, Sep 7, 2018 at 3:09 PM, Dan Halden &lt;daniel.halden@lacity.org&gt; wrote:

Hi Albert,

I responded to this constituent, below. The tone is not appropriate or accurate. That being said, please advise if/when Park Rangers are able to deploy resources to the park. Officer Jordan is currently out of the office. As always, your assistance is appreciated!

Thank you,

**Dan Halden**

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From: **Spence, Erik** <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, Sep 6, 2018 at 6:43 PM

Subject: RE: Selma Park issues

To: Dan Halden &lt;daniel.halden@lacity.org&gt;

Cc: Albert Torres &lt;albert.torres@lacity.org&gt;, Paul Jordan &lt;32285@lapd.online&gt;

So its been a month since I initially engaged all of you regarding a major issues in a public park next door, Selma Park. The immediate response made it seem as if everyone was as concerned as the residence adjacent to the park.

I believe the immediate response was due to the counsel office getting involved but the lack of consistent enforcement is due to pure laziness, prolonged hopelessness or disinterest. I believe hard work and a plan will always net positive results. There are state laws on the books which give law enforcement additional powers to enforce laws in and around public schools and public spaces. Laziness and poor management are the issue here.

If drugs around children on a daily basis doesn't force a serious response to this issue, shame on you.

Regards,

Erik Spence

**From:** Dan Halden <[daniel.halden@lacity.org](mailto:daniel.halden@lacity.org)>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 3, 2018 3:45 PM  
**To:** Spence, Erik [REDACTED] >  
**Cc:** Albert Torres <[albert.torres@lacity.org](mailto:albert.torres@lacity.org)>; Paul Jordan <[32285@lapd.online](mailto:32285@lapd.online)>  
**Subject:** Re: Selma Park issues

Erik,

Thank you for your call just now. I'm CCing Senior Lead Officer Paul Jordan and Chief Park Ranger Albert Torres.

Officer Jordan and Chief Torres -- Erik Spence lives adjacent to Selma Park in Hollywood. He reports a growing, consistent crowd of folks in the park doing drugs on a regular basis. Is it possible to get increased presence and enforcement from LAPD and the Park Rangers?

Erik can also be reached at [REDACTED]

Thanks,



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